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(C) PolOff delivered reftel demarche May 20 to MFA Iran Desk Officer Mansour Al-Oulaimi. Al-Oulaimi said Kuwait had not received an official invitation from Iran to inspect the Bushehr nuclear power plant. He stressed, however, that Kuwait shares concerns about Iran's nuclear program and understands the importance of maintaining a united front in pressuring Iran to comply with its obligations under the Non-Proliferation Treaty and with recent UN Security Council Resolutions. Al-Oulaimi promised to notify PolOff if Kuwait did receive such an invitation, and to convey U.S. objections to accepting an invitation to Kuwait's embassy in Tehran and the Foreign Minister's office.

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